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SUBJ: ARGENTINE DEPUTY PROPOSES NUCLEAR WEAPON DEVELOPMENT

1. FEDERAL DEPUTY EDGAR COSSY ISASI, A JUSTICIALIST FROM THE CITY OF PARANA IN ENTRE RIOS PROVINCE, HAS REPORTEDLY SUBMITTED A BILL TO THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES CALLING UPON THE GOVERNMENT, THROUGH ITS MILITARY SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL ORGANIZATIONS, TO DEVELOP AN ATOMIC BOMB FOR PURPOSES OF NATIONAL DEFENSE.

2. IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE, COSSY ISASI POINTED TO THE RELATIONSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN THE ARMAMENT CAPABILITY OF NATIONS AND THEIR RECOGNITION IN INTERNATIONAL CIRCLES. HE CITED THE CASE OF THE PRC AS AN EXAMPLE TO PROVE HIS POINT, CLAIMING THAT IT WAS IGNORED BY THE SUPERPOWERS UNTIL IT HAD DEVELOPED NUCLEAR WEAPONS. COSSY ISASI CONCLUDED THAT ARGENTINA, BY DEVELOPING AN ATOMIC BOMB WOULD REACH A LEVEL ACHIEVED BY ONLY SIX OTHER NATIONS OF THE WORLD.

3. WHEN ASKED FOR COMMENT ON THIS, A DEFENSE MINISTRY SPOKESMAN REFUSED ANY COMMENT. THE CNEA STATED THAT IT WAS STUDYING ATOMIC POWER FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND DID NOT HAVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A PLAN TO USE IT FOR BELLIGERENT PURPOSES.

4. COMMENT: CONGRESS IS NOT CURRENTLY IN SESSION, AND IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE UNTIL MAY. THIS BILL IS ONLY ONE OF MANY TO BE CONSIDERED, AND IS UNLIKELY TO RECEIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION UNLESS THE GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO PUSH IT, WHICH SEEMS UNLIKELY.

5. FYI: COSSY ISASI IS A 49 YEAR OLD LAWYER SERVING HIS FIRST TERM IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES. HE IS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE JUSTICIALIST PARTY AND OF THE FREJULI BLCOK FOR THE PROVINCE OF ENTRE RIOS. HE SERVES ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL, GENERAL LEGISLATION, AND PENAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEES OF THE CHAMBER.  
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